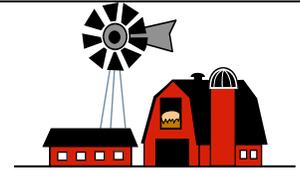


RUSH TOWN NEWS

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Letter from the Supervisor, Bill Udicious

Monday - Friday, 533-9058

Dear Residents:

At the Town Board meeting on November 10, 2004, the board voted unanimously to change the frequency of the Newsletter from monthly to bi-monthly effective January 1, 2005. The first issue for 2005 will be in February. The reasons for this change are:

(1) The Town Web Site has been used to disseminate information to the residents and this use can be expanded.

(2) Notices of Planning Board and Zoning Board meetings Agendas that have been published in the Newsletter are also published in 2 local newspapers, the Henrietta Post and the Sentinel. This information is also posted on the Town Bulletin Board.

(3) A yearly cost savings of approximately \$5,000.

We continue to look at the cost to operate the town and will welcome any suggestions that could result in cost reduction.

Town information, including past newsletters are kept on our website which is updated on a regular basis. Please visit it at www.rushconnections.com and click on the Town website button to the right. In this issue, I have included a tentative 2005 meeting date schedule for next six months for your convenience.

2005 OPERATING BUDGET

The Board approved the 2005 operating budget which called for a reduction in the town tax rate from \$4.14/\$1,000 of taxable assessed valuation to \$4.11/\$1,000 of taxable assessed valuation. Please refer to pages 7 and 8 for the operating budget detail for 2005 in table and pie chart form.

Happy Holidays to all. I wish all of you a peaceful and healthy happy New Year!

Sincerely,

William R. Udicious



Library News

Submitted by: Jenny Peer
Mon., Wed., Fri. 1 PM – 8 PM,
Tues., Thurs. 11 AM – 8 PM
Saturdays – 10 AM – 2 PM
Phone: 533-1370, Fax: 546-1546
www.libraryweb.org/rush

From the Director: A core service of any library is providing information to its users. Our library is often thought of as a repository for information or a disseminator of that information. However, libraries can also be collectors and compilers of information, organizing it into a user-friendly format for dissemination. The staff of the Library believes there is a need to compile and centrally disseminate information about events happening in our community. Beginning in January 2005, the Library will compile a monthly calendar containing information about Rush Public Library programs and events and

will be happy to include all events happening in Rush that are sponsored by local non-profit groups. If your civic, fraternal, educational or religious organization would like to publicize its meeting, fundraiser, dinner, sale, etc. that is open to the members of the community, just contact the Library to complete a simple questionnaire. All appropriate information received by the 23rd of the preceding month will be included in our monthly calendar. Our January calendar will be in hard copy and available at the Library or other possible locations. Future calendars may be included in our soon to be revitalized website.

Hold the Date for Our First Wine Tasting Event!



The Rush Public Library Board of Trustees is hosting an evening of Wine Tasting on February 5th, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at Wildwood Country Club as a fundraising event for enhancements and special projects for the Library. New York

State wines and grape juice will be served by “Women for New York State Wines”, a not-for-profit organization that promotes New York State wines. Advance tickets are \$20 per person/\$30 per couple and are available by calling Rob Lewkowicz at 533-2217. Tickets would make a great holiday gift! Please join your friends and neighbors for this fabulous community event!

Used Book Sale - Thanks to your donations and patronage, the Library realized \$622 from our November book sale. These funds continue to be used for the purchase of new audio books for our collection. The Library hopes to hold these sales on a quarterly basis in the future.

Holiday Closings: Remember to mark our holiday closed dates on your calendars so you won't be disappointed to find the Library closed during the holidays when you are not expecting

it! We will be closed on Friday, December 24th, Saturday, December 25th, Friday, December 31st and Saturday, January 1st. Items checked out at the Rush Library will never be due on a Rush closed date.

Tote Bags are Still Available!

Our wonderfully sturdy and attractive Rush Public Library tote bags are still available at \$10 each. They would make great holiday gifts, especially if they held tickets to our wine tasting event!

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S EVENTS IN DECEMBER

Toddler Story Time: Children ages 2-3 and their caregivers are invited to join us on December 7th, 14th and 21st from 11:15-11:30 for stories, songs and finger plays geared to this age group. This is a first introduction to books and a chance for your child to be involved in a group setting. Registration is required and space is limited.

Holiday Stories for Children: Children of all ages are invited to join us on December 7th from 7-7:45PM to listen to holiday stories from many cultures. Cookies and beverages will be provided. Registration is not required for this program.

Holiday Crafts for Children ages 6-12 on Saturday, December 11th from 11am-Noon. Registration is required and space is limited.



All Aboard the Polar Express- Children and families are invited on Tuesday, December 14th from 6:45 -7:45 PM for some holiday cheer as we listen to Chris Van Allsburg's classic Christmas story of **The Polar Express**. Children are welcome to come in their pajamas and bring their favorite stuffed toy or blanket. There will be treats and fun for the whole

family. We hope that many of you will join us for this event.

Happy Birthday Louisa May Alcott-In celebration of her birthday we

will be featuring the film based on her most famous book on Tuesday, December 28th from 1 - 2:30 PM. This film is rated PG for children ages 7 and up. Registration is required and space is limited.



A calendar of January events will be available in the Library on January 5th.

Check It Out!

Look for an expanded collection of large print titles in January. Plans are underway to bring a rotating collection of approximately 100 large print titles from the Central Library to Rush on a quarterly basis beginning in 2005. Details will be available in the Library.

Legal Notices
Submitted by: Darlene Pilarski
Deputy Town Clerk
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Phone: 533-1312

Due to the change in the mailing frequency of the Town of Rush Newsletter, future issues will no longer contain Legal Notices/Applications submitted to the Planning & Zoning Boards for their approval. As adjacent property owners of the applications received by this office, you will continue to receive written notification of their submittals. Please feel free to contact the clerk's office regarding the monthly Board Meeting Agendas.



LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Rush and §267 of the Town Law, a Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Rush at the Rush Town Hall, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, New York, on December 9, 2004 at 7:00 PM to hear all persons interested in the following:

Application 2004-13 Z by Richard Wing for an Area Variance to construct a garage onto the south side of the house. Proposed location for the garage does not comply with the minimum front setback requirements. Location is at 16 Five Points Road. Property is located in an R-30 Zoning District.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to the provisions of the Subdivision Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Rush and §276 and §277 of the Town Law, a Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Board of the Town of Rush at the Rush Town Hall, 5977 East Henrietta Road, Rush, New York, on December 21, 2004 at 7:30 PM to hear all persons interested in the following:

TABLED APPLICATION FROM PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2004:

Application 2004-12 P by Daniel & Margaret Cornwall acting as Agent for RTL Realty Land Trust for Subdivision/Site Plan approval to subdivide a parcel containing 45 acres into Thirteen (13) lots. One single-family dwelling is planned for each of the lots created. Property is located on the southeast corner of Rush Henrietta Townline Road and East River Road. Property is located in an R-30 District.

NEW APPLICATIONS:

Application 2004-20 P by Polly Hanna for a Special Permit to continue the use of premises at 139 Rush West Rush Road as an animal boarding kennel. Property is located in an R-30 Zoning District.

Application 2004-21 P by Scott & Cindy Freeman for Re-subdivision approval to combine the southern part of property into Lot #4 of the Telaro Subdivision. No development is planned for the new parcel. Property is located at the southwest corner of Rush West Rush Road and Stonybrook Road. Property is located in an R-30 Zoning District.

FINAL PUBLIC HEARING:

Application 2003-20 P by Affordable Great Locations for Subdivision/Site Plan approval to subdivide 52.664 acres of the Perry Hill Estates Subdivision into 14 lots. Lot #14 will not be approved for building; a single-family dwelling is planned for each of Lots #1- #13. Property is located on the southwest corner of Perry Hill Road and East River Road. Property is located in R-20 & R-MH Zoning Districts.

Town Clerk's Office

Submitted by: Linda Henry
Mon. - Fri. 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM,
Thurs. 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Phone: 533-1312

TAXES

Bills for Town and County taxes due during the month of January will be mailed on December 30, 2004. If you do not have an escrow account and therefore pay your own taxes and do not receive a tax bill by the 14th of January, please call the town clerk's office for a duplicate bill. As in years past, the first installment must be made by the 10th of February in order to use the installment payment option.

Full payments must also be made by the 10th of February in order avoid any interest penalty. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE POST OFFICE CANCELLATION DATE ON THE ENVELOPE IS THE DATE I MUST USE TO DETERMINE IF A BILL IS TIMELY, NOT THE DATE ON THE CHECK.

A number of people are using bill paying services or other forms of electronic payment. These checks DO NOT HAVE A POST OFFICE CANCELLATION DATE and if received after February 10th will be considered late with interest due. Please give sufficient time for checks to reach my office to avoid any penalties.

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

At this time the **Town Board** intends to hold the last official meeting for the year 2004 and the **Organizational Meeting** for the year 2005 on December 27th at 7:00 p.m. At this time the new Town Justice will be sworn in although his term does not begin until the 1st of January. All residents are welcome at this and all Town Board meetings.

Since the Newsletter will begin its bi-monthly publication in February 2005 it will not always be possible to print legal notices for matters coming before the Town Board. Remember that the two legal newspapers **THE HENRIETTA POST** and **THE SENTINEL** carry all legal notices for Town Board, Planning and Zoning Boards and those notices are always posted on the Town Clerk's bulletin board in the Town Hall.



Residents are invited to call the town offices at any time to inquire what matters are being brought before those three boards. Agendas are available at least three days prior to each meeting.

 ***Rush Senior Citizens***

Submitted by: Virginia Bock

The Rush Senior Citizens enjoyed a day trip on November 10th for a delicious meal and heard the Artie Shaw Orchestra.



The Rush Senior Citizens have scheduled their Christmas party for members only at the Party House on Beahan Road. There will be entertainment and door prizes.

On December 10th the Seniors will be guests of the Roth Junior National Honor Society for breakfast. After breakfast there will be entertainment by the students.

Starting next year 2005, Rush Seniors will be looking for new members. If you are 55 years old or older and like to travel, go on trips and enjoy great meals come and join us! We meet the second Thursday of each month at the Rush Fire House. We are a warm and friendly group and would like very much for you to join our group. Happy Holidays!

Recreation Department

Submitted by: Patricia Stephens
Mondays & Thursdays 9 AM - 3 PM
533-2340
pat@townofrush.com

Look for the registration date in next month's newsletter for Water Safety courses being offered in March 2005 by the United States Coast Guard at the Rush Town Hall.

There will also be a Mental Aerobics class being offered through the Town of Rush Recreation Dept. and Rush Henrietta Continuing Education Dept. at the Rush Town Hall in March 2005. The classes will be done by our local resident Barbara Bruce. Look in the upcoming newsletter for more information.

Rush Fire District Fire Department & Rush Ambulance

Submitted by: Robert Faugh, Commissioner
Phone: 533-2058
www/rushfd.org

RUSH FIRE DISTRICT & RUSH FIRE DEPARTMENT WEB SITE IS: www.rushfd.org

- go there for news, recruitment info, membership lists, officers, photos of buildings, apparatus and links to other related sites. After the 1st of 2005 the Town newsletter will only be issued every other month – we will update the web site twice a month!

FIRE DISTRICT: The annual Fire District Commissioners **election will be held in December 14th, 2004 at the Rush Fire Station – 1971 Rush-Mendon Road from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Mike Terzo is running for a five-year term as Commissioner. All registered voters can vote in this election as long as they were registered by the middle of November 2004.

The vehicle extrication pad with a fence has been completed in the rear of station one.

FIRE DEPARTMENT & AMBULANCE: Your fire department and ambulance service has responded to 360 calls so far this year and we have one more month to go in 2004.

Rush Pumper 582 and Rescue 588 along with 15 members responded with seven other fire companies to 41 West Main St. Honeoye Falls for a “working attic & 3rd floor fire” in a large wood frame building that had 12 offices and apartments. Due to everyone efforts 2/3 of the building was saved.

A new member was welcomed into the department; he is Kevin J. Sullivan of Nations Road Industry.

FUND DRIVE: "Thank you" to all of you who sent in donations after our second mailing.

CHRISTMAS GIFT: Would you like a unique gift this year. We have a metal model "1939" Chevrolet Ambulance Bank just like our first ambulance for sale. It is made by Ertl and is 7" long. A picture is on the web site in the "classic photos" area. The cost is \$25.00 (These collector items are selling for \$40 to \$50 around NYS.) We only have a few left. Contact Bob Faugh @ 533-1892 or Al Sweet @ 533-1030.

LADIES AUXILIARY: The annual Election Day dinner was a success.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR ALL RUSH CHILDREN ONLY

will be held Friday, December 10, 2004, 7:00 P.M. at 1971 Rush-Mendon Rd., Rush - Featuring Santa and the "Happy the Clown".

Refreshments and gifts for all the kids! -

any questions, call 533-1097 (Paula Anderson).



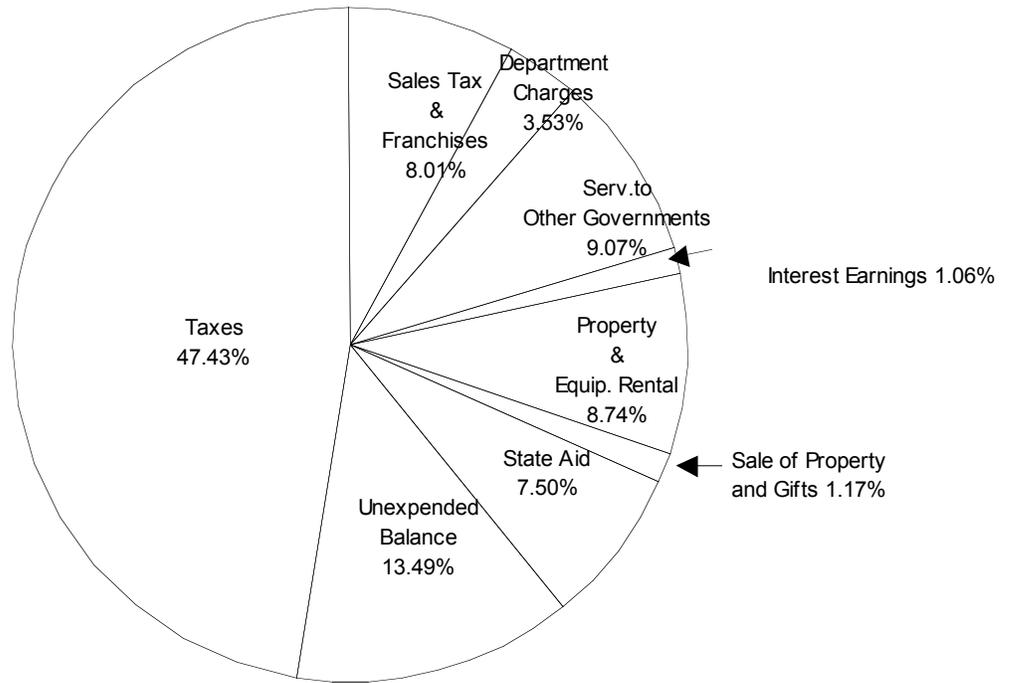
Your Town Budget for 2005

General Revenues			General Appropriations		
	Dollar Amount	Percent of Total		Dollar Amount	Percent of Total
Interest on Taxes	\$ 11,300	1.03%	General Government		
Sales Tax & Franchise	\$ 163,000	14.85%	Support	\$ 541,625	49.35%
Clerk Fees	\$ 1,000	0.09%	Public Safety	\$ 36,105	3.29%
Park and Rec.Fees	\$ 24,599	2.24%	Public Transportation	\$ 122,397	11.15%
Zoning & Planning Fees	\$ 3,675	0.33%	Economic Assistance		
Service to Other Gov.	\$ 9,000	0.82%	and Opportunity	\$ 6,171	0.56%
Interest Earnings	\$ 7,000	0.64%	Culture & Recreation	\$ 82,672	7.53%
Property Rental	\$ 22,225	2.02%	Home & Community	\$ 28,971	2.64%
Licenses & Permits	\$ 14,280	1.30%	Benefits	\$ 109,978	10.02%
Court Fines	\$ 24,350	2.22%	Bond Principal & Int.	\$ 169,750	15.46%
State Aid	\$ 99,194	9.04%			
Unexpended Balance	\$ 215,607	19.64%			-
Real Property Taxes	\$ 502,439	45.78%			
Total	\$ 1,097,669	100.00%	Total	\$ 1,097,669	100.00%

Highway Revenues			Highway Appropriations		
Service to Other Gov.	\$ 165,250	20.70%	Road Repair &		
Interest Earnings	\$ 2,500	0.31%	Construction	\$ 111,652	13.98%
Equipment Rental	\$ 155,625	19.49%	Machinery	\$ 225,935	28.30%
Sale Excess Materail	\$ 23,500	2.94%	Misc./Brush & Weeds	\$ 56,680	7.10%
State Aid	\$ 52,000	6.51%	Town Snow Removal	\$ 45,742	5.73%
Transfer from Cap.Res.	\$ 10,400	1.30%	Service to Other Gov.	\$ 178,715	22.38%
Unexpended Balance	\$ 59,083	7.40%	Benefits	\$ 179,651	22.51%
Real Property Taxes	\$ 330,017	41.35%			-
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Total	\$ 798,375	100.00%	Total	\$ 798,375	100.00%

Library Revenues			Library Appropriations		
Library Charges	\$ 3,900	2.80%	Library	\$ 125,866	90.25%
Interest Earnings	\$ 800	0.57%	Employee Benefits	\$ 13,590	9.75%
Minor Sales	\$ 250	0.18%			
State Aid	\$ 1,425	1.02%			
Real Property Taxes	\$ 133,081	95.43%			
Total	\$ 139,456	100.00%	Total	\$ 139,456	100.00%

TOWN WIDE REVENUES



Rush Town Calendar

December 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 7:30 PM – Conserv. Board	3	4
5	6 5 PM - Court	7 7:00 PM – Library Board	8 7:00 PM – Town Board	9	10	11
12	13 5 PM - Court	14	15	16 7:00 PM – Zoning Board	17	18
19	20 5 PM - Court	21 7:00 PM – Fire commissioners; 7:00 PM – Planning Board	22	23	24	25 Christmas
26	27 5 PM – Court; 7:00 PM - Town Board & Organizational Meeting	28	29	30	31 Town Hall Closed	

***The Transfer Station is closed on the weekends.
Please contact Rush Highway at 533-1770 for specific weekday use.***